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School Committee Minutes 11/27/2012

Approved by School Committee, January 10, 2013

*Arlington School Committee
Special School Committee Meeting
Tuesday, November 27, 2012
7:00 p.m.*

*Arlington High School
School Committee Room – Sixth Floor
869 Massachusetts Avenue
Arlington, MA 02476*

Present: *Dr. Kirsi Allison-Ampe, Chair, Mr. Judson Pierce, Vice Chair, Ms. Leba Heigham, Secretary, Mr. Jeff Thielman, Ms. Cindy Starks, Mr. William Hayner and Mr. Paul Schlichtman.*

Dr. Kathleen Bodie, Superintendent, , Dr. Laura Chesson, Assistant Superintendent, Ms. Linda Hanson, AEA Rep and Ms. Karen Fitzgerald, Administrative Assistant

Absent: Ms. Diane Johnson, Chief Financial Officer, Ms. Kathleen Lockyer, Interim Special Education Director, Mr. Robert Spiegel, Human Resource Officer, student and AAA representatives.

Opening Remarks

Dr. Allison-Ampe stated that we added this Special Meeting due to Thanksgiving and rescheduling the first meeting of the month.

Public Participation

None

School Committee Advocacy Report

Mr. Schlichtman presented his power point presentation to the full School Committee which was one of three parts presented at the MASC/MASS Conference in Hyannis, MA two weeks ago on Advocacy Strategies for School Leaders.

MASC Conference Report - Resource Materials for School Committee Members

Mr. Hayner provided the full School Committee with the following documentation he received from the MASC/MASS Conference in Hyannis, MA.

- *Evaluating the Superintendent Under the New Mass Educator Evaluation System*
- *"What You Want" Improving Your Outcomes Communications Strategies & Media and Interview Guide*
- *Telling Your Story, A Communications Guide for School Board*

D. Allison-Ampe welcomed Ms. Hanson, Arlington Education Association representative.

Superintendent Report

Dr. Bodie wanted to inform the community of a schedule change to the high school calendar on Tuesday, December 11, 2012 from 1:00 p.m. to 12:45 p.m. dismissal, due to an appreciation luncheon for staff on the NEASC work.

Dr. Bodie informed the School Committee members on the upcoming NEASC visit and will provide updated information to the committee before Sunday.

Consent Agenda

Ms. Heigham moved to approve the Consent Agenda and Approval of Warrant # 13070 Dated, November 15, 2012, Total Warrant Amount \$721,264.10 and the Minutes for Approval: October 25, 2012, seconded by Ms. Starks.

Voted: 7-0

Executive Session

Ms. Heigham moved to enter into Executive Session at 7:45 p.m. to conduct strategy sessions in preparation for negotiations with nonunion personnel: Kathleen Bodie, Ed. D, Superintendent and to return to open session, seconded by Mr. Pierce.

Roll Call: unanimous

Voted: 7-0

The committee returned to open session at 8:47 p.m. and the following motions were made:

Mr. Thielman moved to authorize the Chair to notify the Superintendent in writing of the School Committee's intent to enter negotiations~to renew her contract, seconded by Ms. Starks.

Voted: 7-0

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Mr. Thielman moved to create a Subcommittee to negotiate a new contract with the Superintendent, to consist of Mr. Hayner, Mr. Pierce and Mr.~Schlichtman to be chaired by Mr. Pierce, seconded by Ms. Starks.

Voted:~ 7-0

Adjourn

Ms. Starks voted to adjourn at 8:55 p.m., seconded by Mr. Hayner.

Voted: 7-0

*Respectfully submitted by
Karen M. Fitzgerald
Administrative Assistant
Arlington School Committee*